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Memorandum

To:

The Honorable Satpal Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive and

The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through:

Jon Hutchings, Director Zax FOR PIR. PW

From:

James P. Karcher, P.E., County Engineer GPK

Date:

February 3, 2021

Re:

Marshall Hill Road – fill slope failure / slide

Ordinance for Temporary Installation of Stop Signs

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council adopt the proposed ordinance to install temporary stop signs on Marshall Hill Road until the road repairs for the fill slope failure are complete.

Background and Purpose

Due to recent severe weather and heavy rains, a portion of Marshall Hill Road from 940 feet east to 1140 feet east of Cronk Road, experienced a fill slope failure on February 1st, 2021, requiring a one lane roadway configuration with stop control at each end. The repair is projected to take several months or longer to design, and may not be completed in 2021. These temporary stop signs will be removed at the completion of the repair work.

Information

This ordinance will allow for the installation of stop signs and is necessary to comply with RCW 46.61.200 and RCW 47.36.110 to install traffic control signs.

Please contact Douglas Ranney II, P.E., Engineering Services Manager at extension 6255 with any questions regarding this ordinance.